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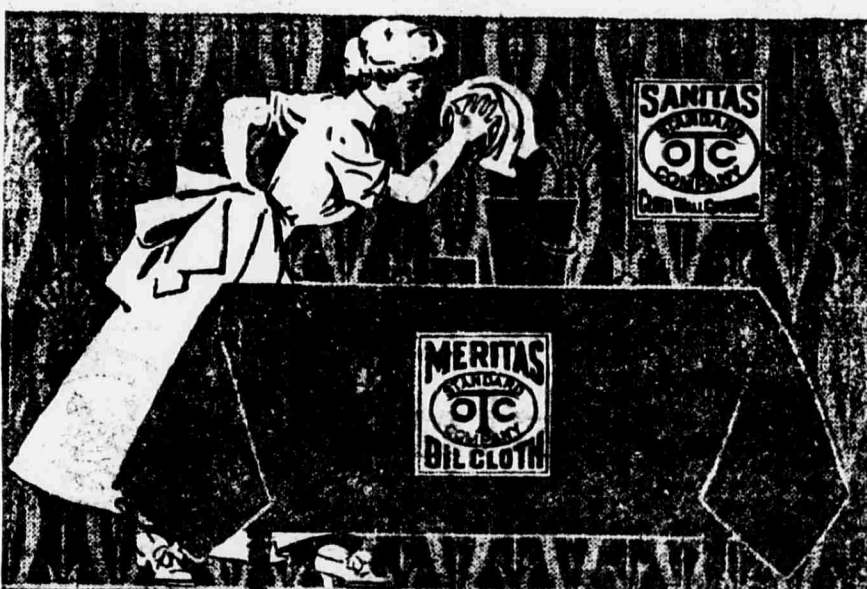
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corsets. Corsets of extra length and with some variations because of the different fashions are popular. Hip corsets are among the latest novelties in corset accessories. The lingerie corset made entirely of embroidery is the high novelty in Paris corsets for spring. Suspenders are made this year without the underwear supporter. More care is exercised by men in selecting underwear and the garments fit them better. There is no need then of the suspender precaution. There is less rubber in the new suspender, the elastic being confined

to the back straps of braces. It has been found that the moisture of the body causes the article composed largely of rubber to stretch out of shape more or less. There will be popular priced suspenders in lisle and solid colors, such as taupe, gray, tan, white and the lighter tones of blue. They will retail at about fifty cents a pair, while those mentioned above will be possibly more expensive. Men's and Women's Underwear. Retailers placed heavier orders for spring and summer underwear than

for many years. There was a last resort effort to supply the necessary quantity of heavy underwear desired by merchants who had been backward about laying in an advance supply. This gave the factories some overtime work. There has been a general demand for immediate delivery, and this may interfere with the regular output. Men and women's ribbed underwear is much sought. Knickerbockers and equestrian tights for women are in demand. The former is brought in by the prevailing style of dress. It flares at the knee and is trimmed with lace or embroidery. Princess styles are popular and can be had in tow or three pieces. They accentuate slenderness.

Combinations continue to have a large sale. French underwear still is well liked. It is made more ornamental by the use of hand embroideries and laces. Union suits are called for. For this climate knit underwear for men in winter weights is almost as light as mediums in this and next year's goods. A few years ago the standard weight for woolen heavy goods was thirteen pounds; it dropped to nine pounds, and now eight pounds is about normal. Fabric underwear will be the thing for summer.

Flowers and Feathers. Flowers and fruits will be the chief trimmings for the spring hats. Roses and poppies are popular. It is expected that this will be a very prosperous season in the artificial flower line. Birds as adornments have gone out temporarily. It is believed that a change in taste rather than humanitarian reasons caused this alteration.

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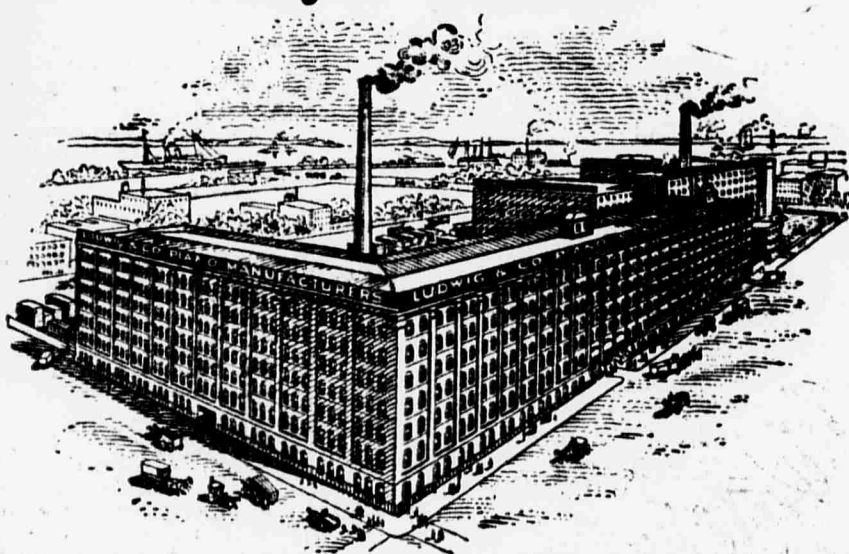
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